

**Appendix B**

§ 12-3. Rules for construction of statutes

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(16) "Husband and Wife," "Man and Wife," "Husband or Wife," and "Man or Wife". – The words "husband and wife," "man and wife," "husband or wife" and "man or wife" shall be construed to include any two individuals who are then lawfully married to each other.

(17) "Spouse". – The word "spouse" means an individual lawfully married to another individual, each being the spouse of the other in that marital relationship.